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In re Patent Application of

Jean-Marc Frances et al.

Application No.: 10/009,605

Filing Date:

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Title: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF A RELEASE AND LEAKTIGHT COATING APPLIED TO A

Group Art Unit: 1711

Examiner: Susan W. Berman

Confirmation No.: 4221

CYLINDER HEAD GASKET EMPLOYING A SILICONE MATERIAL

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Encl	osed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.					
X	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.					
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\infty\$\$ \$55.00 (2814) \$\infty\$\$ \$110.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.					
X	Also enclosed is/are Declaration of Dr. Jean: Marc Frances					
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.					
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$385.00 (2801) ☐ \$770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).					
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.					
	Applicant(s) previously submitted					
	on					
	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.					

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A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also

No additional claim fee is required.

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AMENDED CLAIMS							
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Independent Claims	1	MINUS	3	=	0	x \$86.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$290.00 (1203)				\$ 0.00			
Total Claim Amendment Fee			\$ 0.00				
☐ Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee			\$ 0.00				
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT			\$ 0.00				

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Respectfully submitted,

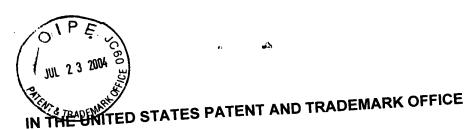
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed January 23, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: